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1. QUOTED BELOW IS UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF EDITORIAL
ENTITLED, "IMPERIALISTS HAVE ALWAYS ENDEAVORED TO CRUSH
MASS STRUGGLES," FROM THE GOVT-OWNED AND CONTROLLED
AMHARIC NEWSPAPER "ADDIS ZEMEN" OF JAN 31:

BEGIN QUOTE

IN 1917, WHEN THE SOVIET PEOPLE ROSE AGAINST THE TSARIST
RULE, AMERICA, BRITAIN, FRANCE AND NAZI GERMANY LAUNCHED
AN ANTI-MASSES CAMPAIGN, WHICH BROUGHT ABOUT THE LOSS
OF SEVENTY MILLION SOVIET LIVES (SIC). IMPERIALISTS HAVE
REPEATED THE SAME CRIME IN VIETNAM. BUT THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE
HAVE PROVED THEMSELVES EXEMPLARY TO THE OPPRESSED MASSES
BY THEIR VICTORY OVER AMERICAN IMPERIALISM. AMERICAN
IMPERIALISM HAD SEEMED TO HAVE RESTRAINED ITSELF FROM
INTERFERING IN OTHER COUNTRIES AFTER ITS INVOLVEMENT IN
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VIETNAM, ONLY TO RESUME ITS COURSE IN INDIRECT METHODS.

AMERICA AND OTHER IMPERIALIST FORCES HAD SPONSORED AN
ANTI-MASSES, ANTI-SOCIALISM, AND ANTI-NETO CAMPAIGN IN
ANGOLA THROUGH THE CIA. THE SAME IMPERIALIST FORCES HAD
RECENTLY ASSEMBLED IN WASHINGTON TO WEAVE SIMILAR ANTI-MASSES
AND ANTI-SOCIALISM MACHINATIONS IN THE HORN OF AFRICA. THEIR

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VERY SUGGESTION THAT ETHIOPIA AND SOMALIA START NEGOTIATING
REVEALS THE CENTURIES-OD IMPERIALIST RUSE.

IMPERIALISTS ARE OPPORTUNISTS WHO DO NOT LEARN FROM
PAST HISTORY. BUT THERE ARE TWO FACTS WHICH THEY CANNOT
DENY. THE FIRST IS THAT SOMALIA IS WAGING A WAR AGAINST
ETHIOPIA IN ETHIOPIAN TERRITORY, THE OTHER IS HARRAR AND DIRE-
DAWA HAVE NEVER BEEN A PART OF SOMALIA'S MAP. IMPERIALISTS
HAVE PROVED THEMSELVES TO BE ENENIES OF THE MASSES AND
TRANSGRESSORS OF UN AND OAU CHARTERS BY NOT DENOUNCING
SOMALIA'S INVASION AND BY GIVING MORAL, POLITICAL AND
MATERIAL SUPPORT TO BARR'S EXPANSIONIST REGIME. AS IT HAD BEEN
SHAMEFULLY DEFEATED IN THE SOVIET UNION, KOREA, VIETNAM
AND ANGOLA, IMPERIALISM WILL MEET THE SAME FATE IN THE
HORN OF AFRICA.

END QUOTE.
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